

IV. REMARKS

Applicant gratefully acknowledges receipt of the Notice of Allowance dated September 12, 2008, allowing claims 8, 9, 12-14, 17-19 and 22.

Claims 8, 9 and 12 are pending in this application. By this amendment, claims 12-14, 17-19 and 22 have been canceled, without prejudice (also note that claims 1 and 7 have been canceled by an Examiner's Amendment included in the Notice of Allowance dated September 12, 2008.)

Applicants respectfully submit that entry of the amendment is proper since it requires no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the Office. In particular, deletion of the claims will not require any further search or examination.

This paper further presents amendments under 37 C.F.R. 1.312 to the specification to conform the Title and Summary of the Invention to the allowed claims pending after entry of this Amendment. According to MPEP 714.16, the examiner "has authority to enter amendments submitted after Notice of Allowance of an application which embody merely the correction of formal matters in the specification or drawing, or formal matters in a claim without changing the scope thereof, or the cancellation of claims from the application, without forwarding to the supervisory patent examiner for approval." Because the amendments presented in this paper include only corrections of formal matters in the specification, the examiner is authorized under MPEP 714.16 to make the amendments presented herein.

In light of the above, Applicants respectfully submit that all claims remain in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request that these amendments be entered in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.312, and further under the Examiner's authority as specified in MPEP 714.16.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account No. 122158 for any fees required or overpaid.

Respectfully submitted,

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